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CHILDREN OF INCARCERATED PARENTS SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-Chairs: Sheila Kiscaden & Bill Hutton

Members:

Melissa Dau
Lisa Becking

Subcommittee Mission Statement:

"To prevent and mitigate adverse effects on children with incarcerated parents or caregivers"

JJAC SUBCOMMITTEES (cont.):

ETHNIC AND RACIAL DISPARITIES (ERD) SUBCOMMITTEE

Chair: Scott Knight

Members:

Sarah Davis
Katrinna Dexter
Rhonda Larkin
Alfonso Mayfield
Jerald Moore
Jane Schmid

Subcommittee

Mission Statement:

"To eliminate or greatly reduce Ethnic and Racial Disparities in Minnesota's juvenile justice system."

Subcommittee Vision Statement:

"To greatly prevent and reduce out of home placements per capita and per populations of color through consistent statewide data, up-to-date information, culturally responsive services, creative approaches, and education."

COMPLIANCE MONITORING SUBCOMMITTEE

Chair: Michael Mayer

Members:

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Rhonda Larkin
Nicole Kern
Jane Schmid

Subcommittee

Mission Statement:

"To assist JJAC in fulfilling its oversight responsibilities for the Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention Act (JJDP) compliance monitoring process, the system of internal controls, the federal audit process, and the process for providing technical assistance as needed to facilities, providers, and other stakeholders."

YOUTH AND COMMUNITY OUTREACH SUBCOMMITTEE

Chair: Erickson Saye

Members:

Nicholas Jenkins
Caroline Palmer
Neese Parker
Beau RaRa
Alfonso Mayfield

Subcommittee Mission

Statement:

"To center youth voice and ensure youth are our moral compass in all that we do."

Subcommittee Vision Statement:

"To center youth voice in our work to dismantle the systemic racism in juvenile justice. We aim to do so by including youth in our membership, our decision-making process, and as leaders whenever possible."

POLICY AND PARTNERSHIP SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-Chairs: Kathryn Richtman &
James Schneider

Members:

Sarah Davis
Nicholas Jenkins
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Subcommittee Mission

Statement:

"To identify and pursue policies that promote ethnic, racial, and gender equity; support other JJAC subcommittees by promoting agreed upon public policies that advance the priorities of the subcommittees and JJAC as a whole; and identify and promote funding priorities that support JJAC's public policy platform."

MENTAL HEALTH SUBCOMMITTEE

Co-Chairs: Matthew Bauer & Michael Goar

Members:

Melissa Dau
Rodney Hanson
Kate Richtman
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Subcommittee Mission Statement:

"To work collaboratively with community partners to continually assess and improve the mental health system of care, ensuring that it is inclusive and effective for all youth in the juvenile justice system, including the many ethnic and racial populations overrepresented in our system."